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April 13, 1998

Ms.Karen Ball 1158 Riviera Drive Redding, CA 96001

Dear Ms. Ball:

Mark Cowin referred your April 3, 1998 letter to me for response in my capacity as Manager of CALFED Bay-Delta Program Water Quality activities. I agree with you that Spring Creek and Keswick Reservoir have been, and continue to be, a source of toxicity problems related to past mining practices. Copper, zinc, cadmium and other toxic metals have been identified as CALFED water quality parameters of concern for which corrective actions are contemplated. Accordingly, projects such as the one you suggest may qualify for CALFED Bay-Delta Program support. There is a formal process whereby ecosystem restoration projects are approved and funded. The annual project funding cycle for federal fiscal year 1999 has just begun.

I have forwarded your package to Cindy Darling who is the coordinator for CALFED Bay-Delta Program Ecosystem Restoration project funding, and have requested that you be placed on the mailing list for any funding information, including Requests for Proposals that will be forthcoming from the CALFED Bay-Delta Program. While your April 3, 1998 correspondence will make Ms. Darling aware of your project concept, it cannot be used as a formal proposal. I recommend that you confer with others as appropriate and consider submitting a formal proposal in response to a CALFED Request for Proposals.

Apart from approval of proposals for projects, it is intended that some ecosystem restoration work will be directed by CALFED Bay-Delta Program. Some projects such as the one you recommend may be considered sufficiently important by CALFED management to be implemented irrespective of whether a proposal for the work is received in response to a Request for Proposals.

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Thank you for your suggestion, and I hope you will continue to be involved in CALFED Bay-Delta Program's process of selecting and implementing projects.

Sincerely

Rick Woodard, Manager Water Quality Program

cc: Cindy Darling